GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:677
ANSWERED ON:24.07.2003
GAUGE CONVERSION PROJECTS IN MAHARASHTRA
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the railway tracks in Maharashtra on which the gauge conversion work has begun and the present status thereof;

(b) the present status of the work of Latur-Mirage (Maharashtra) phase-III railway line between Latur and Kurduvadi; and

(c) the time by which this phase is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a) to (c) : A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO IN PARTS (a) to (c) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO 677 BY SHRI SHIVAJI VITHALRAO KAMBLE TO BE ANSWERD IN LOK SABHA ON 24.07.2003 REGARDING GAUGE CONVERSION PROJECTS MAHARASHTRA

(a) and (b) The present status of on-going gauge conversion projects in Maharashtra along with outlay for 2003-04 is as under, the status of Kurduwadi-Latur is also given:-

Sl. No.	Project	Budget Outlay 2003-04 (Rs.in crore)	Status with targets wherever fixed
1.	Miraj-Latur	25	Work between Kurduwadi and Pandharpur (52 km.) completed and commissioned . Latur-Latur Road (33 km.) has also been completed. On Kurduwadi-Latur section earthwork, bridges and ballasting are in progress. Land acquisition is in progress and land for 15 out of 29 villages acquired. Work is being progressed as per availability of resources. No target has been fixed for completion.
2.	Solapur(Hotgi) -Gadag	10	The work Solapur-Hotgi (16 km.) and Hotgi to Bijapur has been completed. Work is in progress on rest of the section from Bijapur to Gadag.
3.	Secunderabad -Mudkhed & Jankhampet-Bodhan	25	Mudkhed-Dharmabad-Nizamabad and Jankhampet-Bodhan sections completed and commissioned. On Nizamabad-Bolarum-Secunderabad section, earthwork and bridges are in progress.
4.	Mudkhed-Adilabad	30	The work was taken up under BOLT scheme. However; the contractor failed due to financial crunch and now the work is been done through railway funding. Earthwork has been completed in 80 km. stretch. Earthwork, bridges and ballast collection is in progress.
5.	Akola-Purna	15	In Purna-Hingoli section, earthwork and bridges are in progress.

(c) No target date of completion has yet been fixed for Kurduwadi-Latur of Miraj-Latur gauge conversion project. The completion would

depend upon availability of resources.